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CONCLUSION

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REF: A. USNATO 3831; B. GENEVA 4358

1. AS REFLECTED IN USNATO 3831, THE NINE, BETWEEN JULY 11

AND JULY 17, WILL DEVELOP AN OUTLINE OF CSCE RESULTS THEY

BELIEVE WOULD REPRESENT A SUCCESSFUL OUTCOME OF STAGE II.

WE ANTICIPATE THE NEED TO BE IN A POSITION TO COMMENT IN

DETAIL ON THE NINE'S PROPOSALS, AND WE ARE PREPARING AN

ANALYSIS OF KEY INDIVIDUAL ISSUES BASED UPON YOUR

EXCELLENT OUTLINE IN GENEVA 4358.

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2. JUDGING FROM THE NAC DISCUSSION JULY 10, THE NINE MAY

PREFER A MORE GENERAL APPROACH THAN WE BELIEVE WOULD BE

EFFECTIVE, AND WE THUS WILL WISH TO BE IN A POSITION, AS

NECESSARY TO TABLE SPECIFIC TEXTS IN NAC/SPC ON
SEVERAL OF THE KEY ISSUES, AS PART OF OUR EFFORT TO

ELICIT GREATER SPECIFICITY FROM ALLIED DISCUSSION.

3. TO THIS END, WE WOULD PLAN, WITH YOUR HELP, TO TAKE

THE FOLLOWING APPROACH TO READYING OURSELVES FOR NAC/SPC

CONSULTATIONS:

A. ON PRINCIPLES, WE DO NOT BELIEVE THE ALLIES WILL NEED

TO MAKE EXTENSIVE TEXTUAL RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE

NEGOTIATORS IN GENEVA. HOWEVER, AGREEMENT WILL NEED TO

BE REACHED ON HANDLING THE PEACEFUL CHANGE LANGUAGE IN

THE FIRST PRINCIPLE, AND ON COVERING QUADRIPARTITE

RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE TENTH PRINCIPLE.

B. ON CBM'S, A BROAD ALLIED CONSENSUS IS EMERGING,

THOUGH WE WILL NEED TO COAX THE ALLIES TOWARD US

POSITIONS, AS SET OUT GENERALLY IN MADRID 4339.

C. HOWEVER, ON BASKET 3, IT WILL BE ESSENTIAL TO PUT

FORWARD IN NATO, WHERE WE WISH TO FOCUS THESE

DISCUSSIONS, PRECISE FORMULATIONS OF OPERATIVE LANGUAGE

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COVERING THE ITEMS YOU OUTLINED IN PARA 6 GENEVA 4358.

WE THEREFORE REQUEST YOU TO SUPPLY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

SUGGESTED OPERATIVE LANGUAGE THAT, BASED ON YOUR

EXPERIENCE IN GENEVA DEBATES, WOULD LIKELY MEET MINIMUM

ALLIED REQUIREMENT AND AT THE SAME TIME NOT BE
REJECTED OUT OF HAND BY THE SOVIETS. IN DOING THIS,
WE ASSUME YOU WILL DRAW UPON EXISTING WESTERN TEXTS,
BUT MODIFYING THEM TO MAKE THEM MORE REALISTIC. IF,
IN YOUR VIEW, ADDITIONAL BASKET 3 ISSUES ARE LIKELY
TO BE PRESSED BY THE ALLIES, WE WOULD WELCOME YOUR
SUGGESTIONS ON THEM AS WELL.

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